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WASHINGTON--THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE APPARENTLY GOT NOWHERE TODAY IN ITS LATEST BID TO GET A CLOSER INSIGHT INTO INNER WORKINGS OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

REAR ADM. WILLIAM F. RABORN, CIA DIRECTOR, MET WITH THE COMMITTEE FOR MORE THAN THREE HOURS IN A TIGHTLY-GUARDED CLOSED MEETING, MAINLY REVIEWING THE SITUATION IN VARIOUS INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES.

BUT QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SUPER-SECRET AGENCY'S ROLE IN FOREIGN POLICY MAKING AND CLOSER SCRUTINY BY THE FOREIGN RELATIONS GROUP NETTED THE SENATORS NOTHING, IT WAS REPORTED.

CHAIRMAN J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT, D-ARK., SAID RABORN ADMITTED THAT HE GAVE MORE INFORMATION TO AN INFORMAL SENATE CIA WATCHDOG GROUP HEADED BY TOP MEMBERS OF THE ARMED SERVICES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE THAN HE COULD TO THE FOREIGN RELATIONS GROUP.

"NOT ONLY DID HE NOT TELL US ANYTHING, BUT IF HE DID, I COULDN'T TELL YOU," FULBRIGHT TOLD NEWSMEN.

RABORN WILL RETURN MONDAY FOR ANOTHER CLOSED DOOR SESSION WITH THE FOREIGN RELATIONS GROUP.

RABORN AND OTHER TOP CIA OFFICIALS MEET FROM TIME TO TIME WITH THE APPROPRIATIONS-ARMED SERVICES GROUP IN SESSIONS THAT ARE RARELY ANNOUNCED.

SEN. EUGENE J. MCCARTHY, D-MINN., A LONG-TIME ADVOCATE OF A CLOSER CONGRESSIONAL WATCH ON THE CIA, AGREED WITH FULBRIGHT THAT RABORN GAVE HIM LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT.

"HE CONFIRMED WHAT WE PRETTY MUCH KNEW--THAT HE REPORTS THINGS TO ARMED SERVICES AND APPROPRIATIONS THAT HE DOESN'T REPORT TO US," MCCARTHY TOLD REPORTERS.

MCCARTHY, THE COMMITTEE'S NEWEST MEMBER, IS THE SPONSOR OF A RESOLUTION TO GIVE THE FOREIGN RELATIONS GROUP OR A SUBCOMMITTEE OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY OVER THE SUPER-SECRET INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

AT THE LEAST, HE TOLD REPORTERS, HE FELT THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS GROUP SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE UNOFFICIAL "WATCHDOG" GROUP. SEN. STUART SYMINGTON, D-MO., IS THE ONLY FOREIGN RELATIONS MEMBER NOW INCLUDED IN THE LATTER.

SYMINGTON, THE ONLY SENATOR ON BOTH THE ARMED SERVICES AND FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEES, IS ON THE CIA GROUP AS A MEMBER OF ARMED SERVICES.

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